Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims1-51. (canceled)

52. (amended) A method for processing fragment analysis data comprising:

- Receiving the fragment analysis data wherein the data represents intensity <u>values</u>
 and nucleic acid fragment length information,
- Determining the peaks of the fragment analysis data and forming a signal envelop from said peaks,
- Determining the minima and maxima of the signal <u>envelope</u> and dividing the signal envelope into panels with boundaries at each local minimum,
- Determining if at least three panels exist, and if so,
- · Computing an the energy value in for each panel,
- Performing a first test by computing a first to determine if the ratio of the energy value in the panel with the second greatest energy value to the energy value in the panel with the greatest energy value and determining if the first ratio exceeds a first threshold and if so, the first test is considered a pass,
- Performing a second test by computing a second to determine if the ratio of the
 energy value in the panel with the third greatest energy value to the energy value
 in the panel with the second greatest energy value and determining if the second
 ratio exceeds a second threshold and if so, the second test is considered a pass,
- Calling alleles in each of the first and second panels if the first and second tests are passed, and
- Reporting the allele calls to a user.

- 53. (amended) The method of claim 52 wherein said calling alleles step comprises:
 - Defining a first allele in the panel with the greatest energy <u>value</u> as the fragment length corresponding to the maximum intensity value in the first panel, and
 - Defining a second allele in the panel with the second greatest energy <u>value</u> as the fragment length corresponding to the maximum intensity value in the second panel.
- 54. (amended) The method of claim 52 wherein the energy <u>value</u> is defined <u>by</u> as summing the square of the signal <u>envelope</u> contained in the panel.
- 55. (amended) A computer readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer system to perform a method of processing fragment analysis data, the method comprising:
 - Receiving the fragment analysis data wherein the data represents intensity <u>values</u>
 and nucleic acid fragment length information,
 - Determining the peaks of the fragment analysis data and forming a signal envelop from said peaks,
 - Determining the minima and maxima of the signal envelope and dividing the signal envelop into panels with boundaries at each local minimum,
 - Determining if at least three panels exist, and if so,
 - Computing an the energy value in for each panel,
 - Performing a first test by computing a first to determine if the ratio of the energy
 <u>value</u> in the panel with the second greatest energy <u>value</u> to the energy <u>value</u> in the
 panel with the greatest energy <u>value</u> and determining if the first ratio exceeds a
 first threshold <u>and if so, the first test is considered a pass</u>,
 - Performing a second test by computing a second to determine if the ratio of the
 energy <u>value</u> in the panel with the third greatest energy <u>value</u> to the energy <u>value</u>
 in the panel with the second greatest energy <u>value</u> and determining if the second
 ratio exceeds a second threshold <u>and if so, the second test is considered a pass</u>,

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- Calling alleles in each of the first and second panels if the first and second tests are passed, and
- Reporting the allele calls to a user.
- 56. (amended) The computer readable medium of claim 55 wherein said calling alleles step comprising:
 - Defining a first allele in the panel with the greatest energy <u>value</u> as the fragment length corresponding to the maximum intensity value in the first panel, and
 - Defining a second allele in the panel with the second greatest energy <u>value</u> as the fragment length corresponding to the maximum intensity value in the second panel.
- 57. (amended) The computer readable medium of claim 55 wherein the energy is defined by as a summing the square of the signal contained in the panel.